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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, line 15 as follows:

"In FIG. 1, an exemplary operation of a prior art system involving telecommunication devices in the form of a business phone 10, a wireless network 20, and a portable phone 30 as well as a telematic device in the form of an embedded vehicle phone 40 within a vehicle 41 is shown. Portable phone 30 and the embedded vehicle phone 40 are owned by a subscriber. Vehicle phone 40 includes a conventional Vehicle Communication Unit ("VCU") operable to wake up at regular intervals in order to receive data calls. Additionally, vehicle phone 40 answers each in-coming call, voice or data, when an ignition of vehicle 41 is on or when the VCU is awake in a DRx cycle."

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Please amend the paragraph at page 3, line 1 as follows:

"Upon an answering of the call forward rings, the vehicle phone 40 provides fake rings for the subscriber as well as associated ring back tones for the caller. As such, the subscriber (or another user) can answer the fake rings if present within the vehicle 41. A drawback to this prior art scenario is the termination of the call state by the call forwarding module 21 during stage S68 prohibits the call forwarding module ~~40~~ 21 from transferring the voice call to voice mail module 22 upon a failure of the subscriber (or another uses) to answer the fake rings. The present invention addresses this drawback."

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Please amend the paragraph at page 4, line 1 as follows:

"A second form of the present invention is a second method for remotely routing a voice call forwarded to a first telematic device. First, a call state of the voice call is maintained in response to an answering by the first telematic device of one or more call forwarding rings indicative of the voice call. Second, ring back tones provided by the first telematic device ~~are monitored~~ in response to answering the one or more call forwarding rings are monitored. Finally, the voice call is forwarded to either a voice mail module, a second telematic device or a telecommunication device in response to a failure of a user of the first telematic device to answer one or more fake rings indicative of the voice call after a prescribed number of ring back tones."

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Please amend the sentence at page 5, line 17 as follows:

"FIG. 8 is an ~~is an~~ illustration of a flow chart representative of a second embodiment of an answer detection method in accordance with the present invention."

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Please amend the paragraph at page 6, line 19 as follows:

"During stage S76, voice portal module 23 ascertains whether the subscriber (or another user) answered the fake rings~~?~~. If so, voice portal module 23 proceeds to a stage S80 of the flowchart to terminate the call state of the voice call. Otherwise, voice portal module 23 proceeds to a stage S78 of the flowchart to transfer the voice call to voice mail module 22 whereby the caller can leave a message, or to transfer the voice call to call forwarding module 21 whereby call forwarding module 21 can call forward the voice call to another telecommunication device (e.g., a home phone, a business phone, or a second portable phone) or another telematic device (a second embedded vehicle phone having a VCU)."

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